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300,000 MINERS IN COAL FIELDS LAY DOWN TOOLS

Union Men Quit Work Pending Wage Settlement.

MANY STATES ARE AFFECTED

Laborers Insist That It Is Not a Strike, but Merely Suspension Until Their Demands Are Granted-Vast Supply of Coal Stored to Prevent Famine.

ree hundred thousand organized miners of the bituminous coal fields of

next Wednesday at Terre Haute

hy Saturday; settlement of the

-Every mine in Iowa ordered pending settlement of the wage

insas-Comprising the Southwest-interstate fields, 35,000 miners miners assert they have fund of \$400.

but merely a suspension. At Lorain, deaths, and the tramway, telegraph deaths, and the tramway, telegraph and telephone services are practically at a standstill. threw out 4,000 workmen, the managers announcing a shortage of coal. The first victory for the men came 'in an announcement from Brazil, Ind . the centre of the Indiana block coal district, where it was announced that the men's demy'nds for a 5-cent in-

crease would/be granted. President Thomas L. Lewis of the miners' funion, declared a total of 200,200 miners had quit work.

Win First Victory.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 31.-News of the bituminous coal miners' first victory in their struggle for an increase of wages was received late today by the national officers of the United Mine Workers from Brazil, the centre of the Indiana block coal dis-trict,

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At the close of a secret conference between the miners and operators of that district late to-day, it was announced that the operators would grant a wage increase of 5 cents a ton to the miners, and that there would be no strike.

Three hundred thousand miners in the bituminous coal fields of the United States suspended work and demanded higher wages to-night, according to the official statement given out at the headquarters in this city of the United Mine Workers of America. Coincidentally, the national officers of the organization, who had been in se-

REFORMING THE LORDS

NEW BILL PROPOSED

Passed, It Will Effectually Stop Dealing in Cotton Futures. Washington, D. C., March 31—It is robable that there will be a new probable that there will be a new

PINCHOT IS FOUND

AUSTRIA STORM-SWEPT

Fiercest Tornade in Years Does Heavy Damage.

ONE OF DAVIS'S CAPTORS

Union Soidler Released From Jail on Proving Story.

Seattle, Wash, March 31.—Because his discharge from the army shows that he was one of the two men who captured Jefferson Davis, in Savannah, Ga., forty-five years ago, John Wolen, aged seventy years, was released from the City Jail to-day on suspended sentence. He was convicted of "boot legging." His discharge shows that he served in Company E, Seventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, during the war.

SIX MINERS KILLED

Blast Goes Off Prematurely as Men Are Leaving Work.

Wilburton, Okla, March 31.—Six miners were killed here to-day by an explosion in the Great Western Coal and Coke Company's mine, No. 2. It is not known what caused the blast, but it is supposed to have been the result of a whoteventry of which the country of th result of a shot going off premature-ty just as the men who were on the night shift were leaving their work. The bodies were recovered this after-

noon.

The State Mine Inspector and his aids immediately began an investigation.

STARK TAYLOR DEAD

United Mine Workers of America. Coincidentally, the national officers of
the organization, who had been in secret session for two days, departed for
their respective States to advise the
miners in the district conferences with
the mine workers.

President Thomas L Lewis anade the
following estimate of the number of
miners affected by the suspension of
work:

"Western and Central Pennsylvania,
100,000: Ohio, 47,000: Indiana, 18,200;
West Virginia, 100,000: Illinois, 72,000: Iowa, 15,000: Michigan, 30,000;
Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma, 25,000: Colorado, 5,000: Western
Kentucky, 5,000: total, 300,000."

Reviewing the situation, President
Lewis said: "When the national excenive hoard adjourned to-night we all
left that the situation was very satisractory for the miners. In many dis(Continued on Second Page.)

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Had to Be Well Oiled.

MORE LIGHT IS THROWNONGRAFT

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But Wheels at Albany Revolt RampantAgainst Republican Machine Methods.

NINTH DISTRICT RIPE FOR CHANGE

Democratic Workers Spreading the Contagion of Confidence, and Hundreds Are Lining Up Under Standard of Henry C. Stuart-No Note of Discord in Party.

BY ALEXANDER FORWARD, Special Correspondent of The Times-Dispatch. Blg Stone Gap, Va. March 31,—Open-

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Famous Post-Office Robber



BEGINS IN HALIFAX STIRS DIPLOMATS

Memoirs of Vice-Admiral Fournier.

With Killing Officer Dunn.

SEES WORLD-CONFLICT EIGHT JURORS ACCEPTED

Emperor of Germany Central Motion for Continuance or Re moval Overruled by Figure, With Defeat for United States. Judge.

Political Sensation Caused by Scotland Neck Merchant Charged

erable progress

FAY AND HARRIS WILL BE BROUGHT HERE FOR TRIAL

New Warrant Charges Thieves With Robbing Richmond Post-Office.

CHIEF HARRISON LEAVES NEW YORK

Shortage Is Still \$17,000, but Inspectors Have Name of Another Criminal, and Believe His Capture Is a Matter of Very Few Days.